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6 February 1956

Chief, ST/I (Attention: Mr. [REDACTED])  
Thru : Chief, D/S

Chief, S/TR

Requirements for field collection of information from manifests:

- (a) for voyages of vessels departing from the Port [REDACTED] 25X6A  
destined for Communist Chinese ports; 25X6A
- (b) for voyages of vessels arriving at the Port [REDACTED] from  
Communist Chinese ports. 25X6A

ENCLOSURES: 1. List of vessels departing [REDACTED] Communist Chinese ports.  
2. List of vessels arriving [REDACTED] from Communist Chinese ports.

1. Information from manifests, as specified in paragraphs 2 and 3 below, for voyages of vessels listed in the attached enclosures would be of great value in eliminating a priority intelligence deficiency, if received before 1 June 1956.

2. Information is requested on the amount and type (broken down as specifically as possible) of cargo loaded at [REDACTED] (and at intermediate 25X6A ports when information is available) on vessels destined for Communist China. Only a small portion of the total cargo loaded is actually destined for Communist China, but information on these shipments is necessary in estimating the total value and volume of Communist China's trade.

25X6A 3. Information is requested on cargoes loaded in China for discharge or transshipment at [REDACTED] (and at intermediate ports when information is available). Information on the ultimate destination of cargoes is particularly necessary since a part of the cargo unloaded in [REDACTED] 25X6A the other intermediate ports is destined for the Bloc.

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4. Submission of the manifests rather than an extraction of information as requested in 2 and 3 above, would be acceptable for purposes of this field collection requirement.

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